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Items of Interest Gleaned from Our Exchanges

Fonda, Ia., Times: Burt Kroesen was at Manson Tuesday evening.

Wynot Tribune: Mrs. Will Higgins and father, Mr. Sayre, were passengers to Waterbury Monday.

Walthill Citizen: Mrs. M. Mason, of Homer, spent a few hours Monday with her son, W. H., and family.

Emerson Enterprise: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fricke are happy over the arrival of a baby girl at their home on February 2.

Wakefield Republican: Grandma Spencer is reported to be seriously ill. Al Shearer, who has been operator at the depot, has been promoted to South Sioux City.

Laurel advocate: Mrs. Cadence Ross came up from Dakota City Monday for a few days' visit. From here she goes to Ida Grove, Ia., where she expects to visit a few weeks.

Sioux City Journal, 9th: John Severson, who appealed to the district court from a fine administered in police court, was found guilty of violating the city building ordinance and the fine was allowed to stand.

Ponca Journal: Martha Smith came up from Willis Saturday night. Clara Cook, of Dakota City, was a guest of Beryl Mallory Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Art Anderson went to Hubbard Sunday to attend the funeral of Mr. Anderson's father, who died in Sioux City last Thursday.

Sioux City Journal, 7th: The marriage of Miss Ruth Nugent, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Nugent, and Mr. Eugene Duggan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Duggan, took place yesterday morning at 7:30 o'clock in the Cathedral of the Epiphany. The marriage ceremony, which was performed by Rev. H. J. Schieier, was attended by relatives and a few friends of the couple. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Duggan will return to Sioux City, where they will make their home.

Sioux City Journal, 8th: Purchase

of the Princess theater from Jacob E. Schlank was announced yesterday by J. S. Shortley, of Seattle, Wash., a former Sioux City business man. The change will take place Sunday. Mr. Shortley purchased the lease and all equipment. He will continue the policy of a combination of vaudeville and pictures, temporarily, with improved vaudeville bookings. "I will give Sioux City the best vaudeville that is to be obtained for the price," he announced. Mr. Schlank has been booking Sullivan & Considine acts. Mr. Shortley established the Star theater in Sioux City eight years ago. Afterward he operated a theater in Seattle. He was a resident of Sioux City for a number of years and is widely known here. A resolution repudiating an old debt amounting to thousands of dollars, and outstanding since 1884, when the court issued a judgment against the city, was passed by the South Sioux City council last night at a special meeting. The statute of limitation will prevent collection, it was asserted by Ward Evans, city attorney. The judgment was issued in favor of Philo Graves for sidewalks built when the city was incorporated under the name of Covington, Neb. The amount of the claim was \$2,306.07 and bore 10 per cent interest. Attention was called to the fact that already \$6,000 had been paid on the account, and that George Graves, who lives somewhere in the west, and to whom the debt has been assigned, claims a balance due of \$4,550.60. The action of the city council abandoning the obligation is said to have been actuated by the Burlington Railroad company, which is a heavy taxpayer in South Sioux City. The railroad company strenuously objected to the city's high tax rate caused by the old debt. The matter of repudiating the judgment has been under discussion for some time by members of the city council, and last night the special meeting was called to take official action on the proposition. Mr. Graves will be notified of the decision of the council.

Omaha World-Herald, 7th: William Bartels, Hubbard, Neb., wealthy farmer, who was arrested two weeks ago and ordered interned at Fort Crook, is to be sent to Fort Douglas, Utah, for internment. Bartels is now in the Douglas county jail awaiting transportation to Fort Douglas, where he will be kept until the end of the war. Uncle Sam keeps those of his enemy aliens under arrest under such close surveillance that there is small chance for their escape. Bartels, for instance, is in a barred cell. In order that a World-Herald

Basket Ball

Dakota City High School Girls vs. Ponca High School Girls

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Friday Evening, Feb'y. 15th

In Dakota City High School Auditorium

Game Called at 8 O'clock. Admission, 25 Cents.

reporter might see him, it was first necessary to secure a permit from United States Marshal Tom Flynn. This permit got the reporter into a long corridor with heavy bars on all sides. Then Bartels was brought into a barred room adjoining. The room was separated from the corridor by two sets of iron bars and two steel meshes, the meshes being so close together that the two men could not even see each other, although, by talking rather loudly than is permitted in polite society, they could hear one another fairly well. And a deputy sheriff stood a few feet away where he could hear everything said and see everything done. Small chance an enemy alien has of causing trouble under those conditions. William Bartels denies that he is an enemy to this country, although he is interned as such. "I deny that I am an enemy to America," he said through the heavy bars and the steel mesh. "I came to America with my father when I was 10 years of age. That was thirty-eight years ago. We came direct to Dakota county, Nebraska. I have lived in that county ever since. I thought my father had completed his naturalization papers and was a citizen. I have voted ever since I reached the age of 21 years. They say I made disloyal talks against this country. I deny it. I was not on good terms with my neighbors. They must have misconstrued what I said. I certainly did not talk against America. I subscribed to the Red Cross, just like everyone did up there—I took six cards, one for each member of the family. I have just written the agent of the department of justice and placed my case before him. I have asked him to let me go home. I want to go home." Bartels does not know that he is to be taken to Fort Douglas for internment. He believes he is to be taken to Fort Crook, to which post he was originally sentenced. Reports from Hubbard are that his wife is in serious condition. He does not know it.

Seed Corn Prices Fixed.

Notice to owners and holders of 1916 corn.

By authority of the National Government and the Nebraska State Council of Defense:

I am directed to give notice to the owners and holders of 1916 corn suitable for seed that they shall not dispose of this seed until the local demand has been filled and that any old stocks of corn shall not be permitted to leave the county until it is known that the needs of the county are sufficiently supplied. It must be understood that this embargo must be recognized and if there is any disposition on the part of the holders not to comply with the request of the State Council of Defense any violation of this order will be vigorously dealt with.

CONCERNING PRICES

The price of seed corn in the state of Nebraska shall not be more than \$5.00 per bushel for pure (not mixed) strain, graded, guaranteed 90% or over germination test, and delivered to consumer. The price of seed corn selected from the crib by consumer shall not be more than \$3.00 per bushel.

Thomas Ashford, Chairman County Council of Defense, Dakota county, Neb.

To My Old Customers and Friends.

All who know themselves indebted to me will please come and settle their accounts at their earliest convenience.

Yours truly,
Carl Anderson,
Hubbard, Neb.

County Agent's Field Notes

BY C. R. YOUNG.

The special committee appointed by the National Government and the Nebraska State Council of Defense to investigate the seed corn situation and to suggest plans as to how best meet the problems incidental thereto, has reached the following conclusions:

From reports gathered which reveal conditions in several counties of the state as to the quality of the 1917 crop, it appears that in nearly all the counties its germinating ability is very poor and great care will have to be taken in selecting ears which can be relied upon to grow. In a number of counties there are stocks of 1916 crop and most of this corn can be relied upon for seed. It is very impartive that these old stocks shall be first used to supply the demands of the communities in which they are located. County councils of defense and all local authorities must see to it that no seed corn is shipped out of their communities until full provision is made for their own seed corn requirements, thus avoiding the necessity of having to ship in seed which is not so well adapted for that particular locality. The committee feels that it cannot place too great emphasis as to the absolute necessity of doing this.

The question of establishing a price for seed corn has had the most careful consideration of the committee and it has decided that the following prices are fair and equitable to both buyers and sellers of seed corn:

"Report of Seed Stocks committee appointed by Nebraska State Council of Defense and U. S. Department of Agriculture concerning price and control of seed corn:

"The price of seed corn in the state of Nebraska shall be not more than \$5.00 per bushel for pure strain (not mixed) graded, guaranteed 90% germination test or over and delivered to consumer.

"Mixed corn, or corn of inferior quality should be correspondingly lower in price.

"The price of seed corn selected from the crib by the consumer shall be not more than \$3.00 per bushel.

"It is recommended that the State Council of Defense place an embargo on all corn suitable for seed until after March 15, 1918, unless special permission for its shipment is obtained from the Seed Stocks committee of the State Council of Defense."

The committee has been impelled to do this from the fact that many complaints have reached the government and state council of defense that persons who have seed corn for sale, are seeking to exact an exaggerated price from those who are compelled to purchase seed corn. Also, many cases have been reported that buyers from commercial centers are seeking to purchase old and new stocks of seed corn before local needs have been ascertained and provided for.

In these days the nation's necessities must be first considered and the best provision possible made to meet them.

The state council of defense calls upon all county councils of defense, boards of county commissioners, farmers and business men to assist in providing the seed which will be required to plant Nebraska's 1918 corn crop and also to provide a surplus of seed if possible to help other states whose seed corn situation is even more serious than ours. In counties where government agricultural agents are established the seed corn work will be carried on in cooperation with them.

The Herald—1 year, \$1.25.

Lutheran Church Notes

DAKOTA CITY-SALEM

REV. C. R. LOWE.

We received word last week of the coming visit of Mr. C. H. Weller under the auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement. The object of this movement is to stir up the churches over the country to the payment of at least their full apportionment. There are some churches that habitually fall behind. Possibly we should say some preachers habitually fall behind for much depends on him in this. After you have heard Mr. Weller speak you will want to pay your full apportionment more than ever before. He was at Synod last fall and was the most entertaining speaker on the program. He is not a preacher, but a layman, deeply interested in helping the laymen of the churches to do their part of the church work. He will be here Wednesday, April 3, at Salem, and probably at Emmanuel Thursday afternoon.

Some times when the pastor did walk to Salem he might have driven, but one thing is sure when he tried to drive the first Sunday of this month he surely should have walked, for he stuck in a snow drift and Mr. Ward Joyce was kind enough to take him the last half of the way. Thanks, Mr. Joyce.

The facts go to show several things. That a man's judgment may be bad even in material things. The pastor thought he could drive it. How much more is a man's judgment liable to be mistaken in spiritual things. There are all too many men who sit in judgment in spiritual things when they are not qualified to pass judgment. They judge they can be saved without Christ, they judge themselves to be good enough. Jesus tells us some things very plainly and yet men contradict it. Thus, disbelief and making "God a liar" as St. John calls it.

And then this bad judgment got us into trouble. A lot of show had to be shoveled, some labor, more delay, and considerable inconvenience. And as the sinner's bad judgment will get him into trouble and from all accounts, even by sinners themselves, it will not be shoveling snow. Even sinners profess to believe this but they don't act as though they did. If a man really believed he was going to hell he would make haste for the kingdom of God.

A man cannot overcome the difficulty, he has to be helped. I would not force my car through the snow. But yet there are lots of men who are trying in their own wisdom and power to save themselves and lead

righteous lives. But you can't do it even in the sight of men to say nothing of God's sight. It simply cannot be done. We need power not our own to take us through the difficulty. We may try as hard as we will to do some things but it ends in failure. This is one of them.

If we have a friend to help us he can often save us in affairs of this life. As to eternal life Jesus is the one alone who can save us. This is the word of God and the testimony of men. Mr. Joyce kindly offered to take us on out to the church and all the pastor did was to let himself be taken. Christ has brought us salvation and all we have to do is to let Him save us. Mr. J. would likely not have compelled us to let him take us out, neither will God compel us to be saved. But He has provided us the way of escape. We better accept it gladly.

Department of Health Anxious for Complete Records

Publisher Herald:

Dear Sir: We are exceedingly anxious to have our births and deaths recorded 100 per cent, and as it seems that there are a great many people who do not know that the state of Nebraska records births and deaths, we believe the figures from your county may be of interest.

Whenever a baby is born or a person dies, it is of the utmost importance that the same be recorded at the state house. In almost every town we have a local registrar, and we would ask that the mothers of the children born see that the baby's birth is properly recorded. The physician, etc., usually attends to this, but as our registration last year regarding births was only 62 per cent of what it should be, we believe if the mothers and fathers would exercise the proper interest, that better results would be accomplished.

To the mother of each baby whose birth is recorded beginning December, 1917, we send a book entitled, "Your Baby—How to Keep It Well."

The recording of a birth is a legal record, and establishes the identity of the child. We make no charge for such a record.

The number of births recorded in your county last year were 144, of which 86 were boys, and 60 were girls. Native fathers, 127; native mothers, 136. Foreign fathers, 23; foreign mothers, 8. Twins, two pair, of which all were boys.

State Department of Health, Lincoln, Nebr.

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